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Out of land: Habitat's 2013 homes in jeopardy

Affordable housing. As the city runs short of property to donate, up to 20 units in Regina may not get built

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With no more land for houses, Dennis Coutts' days are filled with worry.

"It is a real scary time," said Coutts, executive director of Habitat for Humanity Regina.

Coutts said the organization has more than 300 applications from families throughout Saskatchewan looking for homes — but no available land for its 2013 building season.

"We have enough land to cover us to the end of 2012," said Coutts. "But right now for 2013, we have none."

Coutts said Habitat Regina's existing strategic plan for 2013 to 2017 is to build 80 homes in the Queen City and another 20 in southern Saskatchewan.

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"We have enough land to cover us to the end of 2012. But right now, for 2013, we have none."

Dennis Coutts, executive director, Habitat for Humanity Regina

He said 18 to 20 units in Regina are in jeopardy of not being built because the city is running out of land to donate to Habitat.

Habitat is currently looking at purchasing land for its 2013 home builds. The organization is supported by donations, fundraisers and in-kind gifts.

"We have an offer to purchase land," said Coutts, "But it will likely take three to four months for a deal to be finalized, if it happens."

He said buying the land will set 2013 construction later into the year; traditionally, work begins after the spring thaw.

"A best case scenario right now sees us starting to build in May of next year," said Coutts.

Habitat for Humanity Regina says it is currently without land for its 2013 home builds. HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Riders bring in the green

A new impact study says the Roughriders' regular season games contribute $82 million to the provincial economy PAGE 2

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Riders offer positive economic impact: Study

Monetary injection. 'Billions of dollars' will be brought into Saskatchewan over the next 30 years, says Roughriders CEO

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Everyone knows Riders fans bleed green, but did you know the team itself injects green into Saskatchewan's economy?

A study released Wednesday conducted by the Regina Regional Opportunities Commission shows the economic impact of the football club on the province. The report says regular season games have an $82-million impact on the province and raise $14 million in taxes annually.

"Eighty-two million dollars a year is a big number," said Roughriders CEO Jim Hopson. "You start looking at that over 30 years and we're talking billions of dollars."

According to the study, next year's Grey Cup game and festival in Regina will generate over $123 million in provincial economic impact. The study assessed everything from ticket and merchandise sales to employee salaries and fan travel expenses.

Injuries

Victories taking a toll

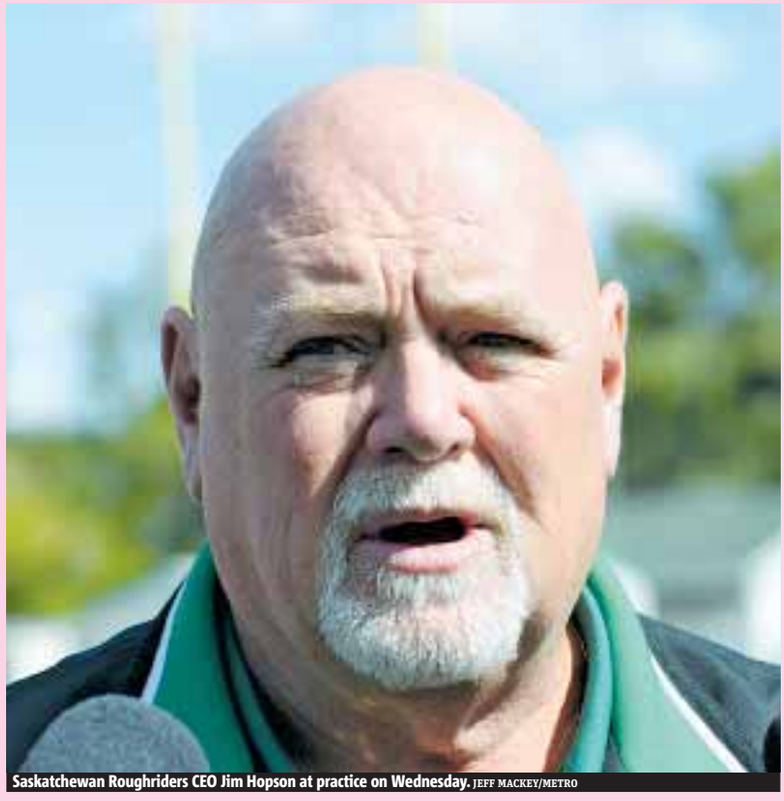
The Riders may have brought their season back to .500, but recent victories have taken a physical toll on some of the team's top talent.

Quarterback Darian Durant told media his chances of playing against Montreal are 50/50. A hip injury caused Durant to leave practice early Wednesday.

"Darian is one of those cases where it will come down to an end-of-the-week or a game time decision," said Riders head coach Corey Chamblin.

Receiver Weston Dressler has been recovering from the head injury sustained at the Banjo Bowl.

"I haven't had any symptoms since the game," said Dressler. "I've just been using the last couple days to recover." METRO


Saskatchewan Roughriders CEO Jim Hopson at practice on Wednesday. JEFF MACKEY/METRO

Unions, business groups not seeing eye to eye

Workers at Regina's Ramada Hotel on strike in June. The province is currently looking to overhaul its labour laws and is asking for public feedback. More than 3,800 submissions have been made so far. METRO FILE

Unions and business groups appear to be at odds over changes to Saskatchewan labour laws and Labour Minister Don Morgan says the two sides will never totally agree.

More than 3,800 submissions that were made as part of the province's extensive overhaul of its labour laws were posted online Tuesday.

The Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce said in its recommendations that unions should disclose how they're spending dues, "since many of their members may not be entirely supportive of what their contributions are currently being spent on."

The chamber also suggested people should be allowed to opt out of paying dues.

"Many unionized employees do not approve of their union dues being directed toward funding attack ads in provincial election campaigns, yet they are not able to choose what activities their contributions are going towards," reads the chamber submission.

The Saskatchewan Union of Nurses disagreed.

It pointed out the Supreme Court of Canada has upheld the right of unions to collect dues and people can only opt out on religious grounds.

"There's no reason for the issue to be revisited," the union said in its submission.

The government began its overhaul in May, saying most of the acts had not been comprehensively reviewed in at least 20 years.

Morgan said the government will review the suggestions and try to find a balance.

"We know that based on the divergence of opinion and comments that were made, we will not have agreement or consensus on them," Morgan said.

"But we think, based on some of the comments that were made at the advisory committee meeting, that we will probably have more common ground than people might anticipate." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Investigation

Police officer charged with assault

Todd A. Sherwin, a 42-year-old corporal who has worked with Regina Police Service for 11 years, is facing a charge of common assault following an RCMP investigation into a report of an assault on a 64-year-old man on Saturday, June 9. Though he was off-duty at the time, the cop identified himself as a police officer and says he was acting within that capacity.

The assault is alleged to have occurred at about 11 a.m. June 9, in the Edenwold District. Sherwin will remain in his current duties until the court case is concluded. He will make his first court appearance on the matter in provincial court on Wednesday, Nov. 7. METRO

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Latest charges

More arrests in violent robbery

Regina police have made an additional two arrests in a violent robbery that took place in March.

Thomas Matychuk, 34, of Regina and Agnes Marie Caldwell, 25, have been arrested and face nine charges including aggravated sexual assault, unlawful confinement and break and enter.

During the early morning hours of March 15, three people allegedly entered a locked commercial compound north of Regina, vandalized property and stole items from cars parked on the site.

Additionally, inside a trailer a man was beaten, tied up, and sexually assaulted. METRO

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Nickle and dimed over album art

One-cent situation. Musician David Gunning under fire over record artwork that Canadian mint says breaches copyright laws

A Nova Scotia folk musician whose penny-inspired album has raised the ire of the Royal Canadian Mint says the entire fuss has left him feeling sheepish.

Dave Gunning said Wednesday he was informed by the mint that his soon-to-be released album infringes copyright because its artwork includes images of the ubiquitous one-cent piece.

In recent days, Gunning — who describes himself as "a proud Canadian" — has told his story of being nickel-and-dimed by the mint to media outlets across Canada and the United States.

"Part of me is a little bit embarrassed about it," Gunning said from Pictou, N.S. "Not embarrassed for myself, necessarily, but embarrassed for Canada a little bit."

The award-winning singer said his album, titled No More Pennies is meant as an homage to the humble coin, which the mint plans to stop producing this fall though it remains legal tender.

He said the mint was "very kind" to waive licensing and administration fees for the first 2,000 albums produced, but his next batch of CDs will cost him $1,200 — or 60 cents a pop.

That's no penny ante for an independent artist, he said.

"They're chasing down this folk singer for 60 cents a CD," said Gunning, who has won awards at the East Coast Music and Canadian Folk Music Awards.

Gunning is urging fans to donate their spare pennies, which he said will be delivered to the mint. The soft-spoken singer said he plans to give $1,200 of his own money to a Halifax children's hospital.

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Penny for your thoughts?

The album, set for release next Tuesday, was recorded in Pictou and Halifax earlier this year

- **Artwork.** The album depicts a penny, representing the sun, disappearing behind the horizon. In another picture, the copper-plated coins are shown as wheels on a steam locomotive.
- **Isn't it ironic?** Gunning knew he erred when a friend told him to sell the album at the mint's gift shop.

Royals visit Canada's capital

Prince Edward and Sophie, Countess of Wessex, are joined by Gov. Gen. David Johnston and wife Sharon at Rideau Hall in Ottawa on Wednesday. The Queen's youngest son and his wife are on a seven-day visit to Canada, that includes stops in Ontario and the Arctic.

SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Soccer probe. U.K. officials covered up truth: Report

British police and medics whose failures contributed to the deaths of 96 soccer fans in the country's worst sports disaster unfairly blamed the dead for the 1989 tragedy and sought to cover up their actions, newly disclosed documents revealed Wednesday.

The documents vindicated efforts by the victims' families, who had spent 23 years demanding a full accounting of the events at Hillsborough stadium that killed fans of the Liverpool soccer team. Most of the victims were crushed and suffocated in a standing-only section after they were herded there by police.

Prime Minister David Cameron issued a full apology Wednesday for the wrongdoing of authorities and the subsequent coverup, saying that Britain had been shamed for more than 20 years by its reluctance to expose the errors that led to the deaths.

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Health care. Technology making snooping easy

Manitoba's acting ombudsman says penalties for nosiness should be strengthened now that technology is making it easier for health-care workers to snoop into the private information of patients they have a grudge against.

"In the old days, three people had access to your record — your doctor, his or her nurse and his or her receptionist. Now, you can have thousands of people with access to your records," Mel Holley said Wednesday. Holley has concluded an investigation into a case last year in which a worker at CancerCare Manitoba, the province's prime centre for cancer treatment, got into the electronic patient files of a neighbour's child who was undergoing treatment. The worker, whom Holley did not identify, did not need to see the child's file for any work-related purpose, but because of a personal conflict with the child's mother. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Match-fixing scandal spans two continents: Why no crackdown?

Time to act. A year has passed, but soccer bosses have done little, claiming they're waiting for FIFA to guide them

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The Canadian Soccer League has done little since learning more than a year ago that European match-fixers are in Canada actively seeking to manipulate games in the CSL.

The league, which has teams in Ontario and Quebec, along with the Canadian Soccer Association (CSA), is waiting on FIFA for guidance on how to respond.

In the meantime, convicted, confessed match-fixers have been caught on tape talking about purchasing a local Canadian team.

In a documentary that aired on CBC's The National Wednesday night, CSL commissioner Vincent Ursini said the league is aware of the problem and is waiting on FIFA.

Since I brought CBC this story more than a year ago — with the help of their investigative team — the story has grown into one that has spanned three countries and two continents.

Importantly, it would include pages of German police wiretaps and court documents.

Those documents were flush with conversations between Ante Sapina, Marijo Cvrtak and Chris Budimir — German-based match-fixers — talking about how they could manipulate games in the Canadian Soccer League.

And once they had actually done it, the tapes caught their overwhelming glee at their prospects.

"If we don't become rich here, then I don't know where we could become rich," Budimir told Cvrtak, the CBC reported.

Meanwhile, their conversations extended further, even looking at what it would take to buy a team and arguing at how fast they should go about doing that.

According to the wiretaps, Budimir reported back to Cvrtak in 2009 that players make less than $500 a month and a club in the CSL could be bought for $150,000.

According to Budimir, buying was a three-year process. Cvrtak wanted to know if it could be done in one.

"They are all amateurs …Nobody knows that they have teams there like here," Budimir told Cvrtak on the wiretap.

"One can start a team there with $150,000 and play in the first league right away."

Full stop.

Now that this information is public, there are calls for the CSA to conduct an investigation into who is financing teams in the CSL.

If it's going to continue to sanction the league, a full investigation by the CSA into who is financing teams in the CSL is immediately warranted. For now, the CSL has yet to file an official complaint with the local police and RCMP.

More evidence

Even before the documentary had aired last night, three current CSL players had reached out to share what they know about match-fixing in the league.

- They each told similar tales of being approached with offers of bribes to fix games. Metro will continue to follow the story.
- If you have any information you would like to share with Metro on matchfixing in Canadian soccer, please contact letters@metronews.ca.

Toronto Croatia's Tomislav Ples nearly gets a boot from Dragan Cosic of the Serbian White Eagles as the two teams tied 0-0 in the second championship game at Esther Shiner Stadium in North Toronto in 2007. A German court heard evidence last year that a game involving Toronto Croatia was fixed in 2007. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Wiretap evidence

$20,000 bribe paid off

According to the CBC, the wiretaps detail how one of the fixers — a man by the name of Zivko Budimir — arranged a fix in 2009.

He paid CSL All-Star Antonio Zupan $20,000, which he shared with four teammates on Toronto Croatia.

In exchange for accepting the bribe, Zupan and Toronto Croatia ensured they would lose by at least two goals to the Trois-Rivières Attak on Sept. 12, 2009.

Zupan, who missed a crucial penalty in the game, was fully successful and the final result ended 4-1 in the Attak's favour.

The fixers had wagered $143,000 on a combination of bets that included that game.

BEN RYCROFT/METRO

Ethnic identity. Rachel lets you speak your mind

When the Bank of Canada removed an image of a female scientist billed as Asian-looking from its new $100 banknotes, Rachel Décoste took to the Internet.

She decided to start a cross-country dialogue on what it means when someone identifies as Canadian.

"One of the things that the national narrative of Canada negates most of the time are the struggles, the daily struggles, that exist for people who are not 'neutrally' ethnic," Décoste said.

In late August, she launched Neutralethnicity.com, calling on Canadians to share their stories about belonging and identity.

Stories, poems and essays from Nova Scotia to Vancouver, have started to trickle into Décoste's inbox.

Stories from Canadians like Abubakar Kasim, who wrote about his experience dealing with a frustrated traveller at Toronto's Pearson International Airport as a customer service agent.

The woman angrily said to him: "Can I speak to someone from this country, please?"

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Stem cell discovery

Humans help gerbils hear

Deaf gerbils have been helped — by humans.

British researchers say they've restored the gerbils' ability to hear using implanted human embryonic stem cells.

And they call it a first step in potentially overcoming some causes of hearing loss in people.

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Feds spend $11.4M

Mentally-ill troops get boost

Ottawa is boosting funding for treatment of mentally-ill military personnel and veterans.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay says his department will spend $11.4 million to hire psychiatrists, psychologists, mental-health nurses and addictions counsellors.

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New rap for Tori's killer: She beat up fellow inmate

Terri-Lynne McClintic is escorted into court in handcuffs in Kitchener, Ont., on Wednesday. GEOFF ROBINS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The woman serving a life sentence for the first-degree murder of Tori Stafford has added another conviction to her criminal record.

Terri-Lynne McClintic admits she beat up a fellow inmate — and she regrets not causing worse injuries.

McClintic, 22, was facing a charge of assault causing bodily harm for what the Crown called a "completely unprovoked" attack at Grand Valley Institution for Women, but instead pleaded guilty Wednesday to assault.

Crown attorney Julia Forward told court the victim, Aimee McIntyre, was no longer co-operating with the Crown.

McIntyre was serving a life sentence for first-degree murder in the death of her former lover, though a new trial was recently ordered.

Ontario Court Judge Colin Westman sentenced McClintic to six months on this assault, but noted it doesn't change her life sentence because sentences run concurrently in Canada.

Forward noted that the new crime should be on her record should McClintic apply for parole under the faint-hope clause, which would come into effect in 2024.

McClintic pleaded guilty in 2010 to the first-degree murder of the eight-year-old girl from Woodstock, Ont.

Former boyfriend Michael Rafferty was convicted earlier this year of first-degree murder, sexual assault causing bodily harm and kidnapping.

Tori was raped and brutally beaten to death.

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"One would hope that somehow you can come to some kind of peace. I can't imagine your turmoil you must feel within yourself."

Judge Colin Westman, sentencing McClintic

U.S. sends marines to Libya after ambassador, staff killed by mob

Tripoli. Storming of consulate on 9-11 anniversary linked to anti-Muslim video, while U.S. investigates whether this was a terrorist attack

Egyptian protesters burn a U.S. flag and chant anti-U.S. slogans during a demonstration in front of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo on Wednesday as part of widespread anger across the Muslim world about a film ridiculing Islam's Prophet Muhammad. NASSER NASSER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The U.S. dispatched an elite group of Marines to Tripoli on Wednesday after the mob attack that killed the U.S. ambassador and three other Americans. Officials were investigating whether the rampage was a backlash to an anti-Islamic video with ties to Coptic Christians or a plot to coincide with the anniversary of the 9-11 terror attacks.

Tuesday's stunning attack on the American Consulate in Benghazi poses a daunting task for U.S. and Libyan investigators: searching for the culprits in a city rife with heavy weapons, multiple militias, armed Islamist groups and little police control.

The one-story villa that serves as the consulate was a burned-out wreck after the crowd armed with machine-guns and rocket-propelled grenades rampaged through it. Slogans of "God is great" and "Muhammad is God's Prophet" were scrawled across its scorched walls. Libyan civilians strolled freely in charred rooms with furniture and papers strewn everywhere.

U.S. President Barack Obama vowed in a Rose Garden address that the U.S. would "work with the Libyan government to bring to justice" those who killed Ambassador Chris Stevens, information manager Sean Smith and two other Americans who were not identified. Three other Americans were wounded.

Stevens was the first U.S. ambassador killed in the line of duty in 30 years.

"We reject all efforts to denigrate the religious beliefs of others, but there is absolutely no justification for this type of senseless violence. None," said Obama, who also ordered increased security at U.S. diplomatic posts abroad.

Republican Mitt Romney accused the Obama administration of showing weakness in the consulate killings, but the president retorted that his rival "seems to have a tendency to shoot first and aim later." Some in the Republican Party called Romney's remarks hasty.

The mob attack on Tuesday — the 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11, terrorist strike in the U.S. — was initially presumed to have been a spontaneous act triggered by outrage over a movie called Innocence of Muslims that mocked Islam's Prophet Muhammad. It was produced in the U.S. and excerpted on YouTube. The amateurish video also drew protests in Cairo, where angry ultraconservatives climbed the U.S. Embassy's walls, tore down an American flag and replaced it with an Islamic banner.

But a U.S. counterterrorism official said the Benghazi violence was "too coordinated or professional" to be spontaneous. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the incident publicly.

The FBI was sending evidence teams to Libya, a law enforcement official said.

Libya's new leadership — scrambling to preserve ties with Washington after U.S. help to overthrow former dictator Moammar Gadhafi — vowed to find those behind the attack.

Interim President Mohammed el-Megarif apologized to the United States for what he called the "cowardly" assault, which also killed several Libyan security guards at the consulate in the eastern city.

Parliament speaker Omar al-Houmidan suggested the attack may have been planned, saying the mob "may have had foreign loyalties" — an apparent reference to international terrorists. "We are not sure. Everything is possible," he said.

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"Canada strongly condemns and deeply regrets yesterday's senseless attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya.... We also urge Libyan officials to ensure the extremists responsible are brought to swift justice."

Canadian Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird, who said Canada is reviewing the security situation at its embassy in Tripoli in the wake of the killing of American diplomats in Libya

Pseudonyms

Man confirms role in anti-Islam film amid mystery

The search for those behind the provocative, anti-Muslim film that triggered mobs in Egypt and Libya led Wednesday to a California Coptic Christian convicted of financial crimes who acknowledged his role in managing and providing logistics for the production.

Nakoula Basseley Nakoula, 55, told The Associated Press that he was the manager for the company that produced Innocence of Muslims, which mocked Muslims and was implicated in inflaming mobs in Egypt and Libya.

Nakoula denied he directed the film and said he knew the self-described filmmaker, Sam Bacile. But the cellphone number that AP contacted Tuesday to reach the filmmaker who identified himself as Sam Bacile was traced to the same address near Los Angeles where AP found Nakoula. Federal court papers said Nakoula's aliases included Nicola Bacily, Erwin Salameh and others.

Nakoula told the AP that he was a Coptic Christian and said the film's director supported the concerns of Christian Copts about their treatment by Muslims.

Nakoula, who talked guardedly about his role, pleaded no contest in 2010 to federal bank fraud charges in California and was ordered to pay more than $790,000 in restitution. He was also sentenced to 21 months in federal prison and ordered not to use computers or the Internet for five years without approval from his probation officer.

The YouTube account, "Sam Bacile," which was used to publish excerpts of the provocative movie in July, was posting comments online as recently as Tuesday.

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Pakistan. 283 killed in factory fires; lax safety regulations blamed

Fires at two clothing factories in Pakistan left 283 people dead — many trapped behind locked doors and barred windows — tragedies that highlight workplace perils in a country where many buildings lack basic safety equipment and owners bribe officials to ignore violations.

The blazes broke out Tuesday night at a garment factory in the southern port city of Karachi and a shoe manufacturer in the eastern city of Lahore. At least 258 people died in the fire in Karachi, where rescue workers were still searching Wednesday for bodies in the charred building. Another 25 perished in Lahore.

Panicked workers in Karachi had only one way out since the factory's owner had locked all the other exit doors in response to a recent theft.

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U.S. election. Is Barack Obama's sudden fondness for beer paying off?

A spate of new polls released this week suggests the president is gaining popularity among male voters, closing the gap on Mitt Romney's longtime advantage with white, working-class men.

Three of the surveys even have Barack Obama inching past his Republican rival for the White House among male voters — a trend that could spell doom for Romney if it continues, since most public opinion polls suggest Obama still has an edge with female voters.

Obama, a Harvard-educated civil rights lawyer long suspected of enjoying a barrel-aged chardonnay far more than a glass of stout, has been doing his part to downplay his elitist, intellectual image in order to appeal to working-class men while he's campaigning for re-election.

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Russia. Prime minister calls for freeing of jailed Pussy Riot members

Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev on Wednesday called for three members of the punk band Pussy Riot to be freed, a sign that the women's release could be imminent since their case comes up for appeal on Oct. 1.

The band members were arrested for performing a raucous prayer inside Moscow's main cathedral asking Virgin Mary to save Russia from Vladimir Putin as he headed into the election that handed him a third term as president.

They had already spent more than five months in jail when they were convicted in August of "hooliganism driven by religious hatred" and sentenced to two years in prison.

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Apple iPhone 5 in stores this month

Coming soon.
Lighter, thinner smartphone will be available in North America on Sept. 21

The new iPhone 5 is thinner and lighter than previous versions with a taller screen, and will be in stores in Canada, the U.S. and several other countries on Sept. 21.

The iPhone 5 is the year's most eagerly awaited phone launch. Analysts expect Apple Inc. to sell tens of millions of units before the year is out.

It will come with the capability to connect to the fastest new wireless data networks, both in the U.S. and overseas. That's another feature that was widely expected. Some competing phones have had this ability for a year and a half.

The bigger screen moves Apple somewhat closer to competing smartphones. Samsung Electronics Co., Apple's biggest competitor, has increased the screen size of its flagship phone line every year, which is about 45 per cent larger than the one on the new iPhone.

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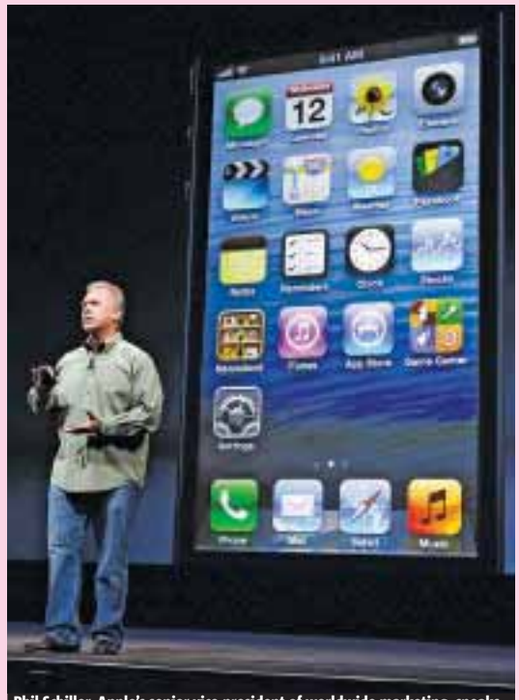

Phil Schiller, Apple's senior vice-president of worldwide marketing, speaks on stage during an introduction of the new iPhone 5 at an Apple event in San Francisco on Wednesday. ERIC RISBERG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

New iPhone

A threat to BlackBerry?

The iPhone 5 is also a formidable threat to BlackBerry-maker Research In Motion.

The Waterloo, Ont.-based company — once known as Canada's high-tech heavyweight — has been working to turn around its operations as consumers switched to the iPhone and other smartphones running Google's Android operating system.

The company's future success rides on the unveiling of its BlackBerry 10 operating system, which has suffered two major delays that have pushed its debut into early 2013 — past the holiday shopping season that Apple has squarely in its sights.

The other Sept. 21 launch countries are Australia, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore and the U.K.

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Internet jokers decided the iPhone 5 could assume any shape, generate French fries and turn water into wine. Go to metronews.ca to read social media's silliest predictions.

Fast food. McDonald's to develop 'Made in Canada' plan for caloric content

McDonald's restaurants across the U.S. will soon get a new menu addition: the number of calories in the chain's burgers and fries. The world's biggest hamburger chain said Wednesday that it will post calorie information on restaurant and drive-thru menus in the U.S. starting Monday.

McDonald's Canada spokesman Louis Payette said that conversation has progressed differently in Canada than it has in the U.S.

"McDonald's Canada is actively working with all levels of government, NGOs and industry stakeholders to develop an appropriate 'Made-in-Canada' solution to displaying comprehensive nutrition information that is easily accessible to customers prior to purchase," Payette said.

He noted that McDonald's Canada is a "longtime industry leader" in providing nutrition information, introducing its first Food Facts brochure more than 30 years ago.

The move to add in calorie counts on U.S. menus comes ahead of a regulation that could require major chains to post the information as early as next year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In numbers

260

McDonald's is testing healthier options for next year, such as an Egg McMuffin made with egg whites and a whole-grain muffin. The sandwich has Canadian bacon and white cheddar cheese and clocks in at 260 calories. It will be called the Egg White Delight.

Bell-Astral bid. Media union voices opposition to deal at CRTC hearing

One of Canada's largest media unions is sounding the alarm over Bell's $3.4-billion deal to buy Montreal's Astral Media, which would add to the telecom company's extensive radio and television business.

The CRTC is in its third day of hearings into whether the telecom giant should be allowed to forge a deal that would make it even larger.

The Communications, Energy and Paperworkers (CEP) Union of Canada told the federal regulator on Wednesday that media concentration in Canada has had troubling consequences.

The union says that since 2008, CTV has cut its TV staff by 24 per cent, including 233 people since BCE acquired CTV in 2000. Astral has cut its radio news spending by eight per cent since 2008.

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Quoted

"Apart from chilling diversity and neutering competition, concentrated media ownership has reduced employment opportunities in content creation."

CEP union vice-president Peter Murdoch, on why CEP opposes this application.

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Oil exploration

U.K. company wins bidding rights in Arctic

A small British company has won the bidding for offshore oil exploration rights to six parcels in Canadian Arctic waters. Franklin Petroleum, based in Oxford, England, bought the rights to all six parcels on offer with a promise to spend at least $7.5 million developing them over the next five years. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Plummeting stock

Facebook CEO hopes to prove critics wrong

Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg hasn't enjoyed seeing his company's stock get pummeled on Wall Street this summer, but he is relishing the opportunity to prove his critics wrong. "I would rather be in a cycle where people underestimate us because I'd rather be underestimated," Zuckerberg said Tuesday at a tech conference in San Francisco.

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Softwood market

Lumber prices rising amid tight supply: Report

North American lumber prices are set to surge in the next couple of years amid a tightened supply from Canada as the U.S. housing market continues to strengthen after years of weakness, a new CIBC report predicts. Spot prices for Western softwood lumber made from spruce, pine and fir trees have steadily increased this year, rising 24 per cent since January.

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Shock at the pumps

Gas prices soar across major Canadian cities

The shock at the gas pumps Wednesday was particularly acute in Montreal, where prices soared by as much as 13 cents a litre. Gasoline prices across southern and eastern Ontario also rose by about 3.4 cents, according to the website tomorrowsgaspricestoday.com. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Air travel. Frontier is latest airline to sidestep online travel agencies

Some airlines are making travellers work harder to find a deal. Carriers are offering more deals to passengers who book flights directly on their websites.

It's an effort to steer people away from online travel agencies such as Expedia, Orbitz and Travelocity, which charge the carriers commissions of roughly $10 to $25 a ticket.

While travellers save money, they also must do without the convenience of one-stop shopping.

Frontier Airlines is the latest carrier to jump into the fight, announcing Wednesday that it will penalize passengers who don't book directly with the airline. Those fliers won't be able to get seat assignments until check-in. And they'll pay more in fees while earning half as many frequent-flyer miles.

Contracts with online travel agencies prohibit airlines from offering lower fares on their sites. Instead, airlines such as JetBlue Airways Corp., Spirit Airlines Inc. and Virgin America often provide discount codes in emails to their frequent fliers or through Facebook and Twitter.

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Frontier Airlines jetliners sit stacked up at gates at Denver International Airport. Carriers are offering more deals to passengers who book flights directly on their websites. DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A REMEDY FOR A CASE OF THE MAYOR ROB FORD

HE SAYS...
John Mazerolle
metronews.ca

Whether you suffer from Toronto Mayor Rob Ford or just know someone who does, this guide will help you understand the issue and symptoms of Toronto Mayor Rob Ford and how to talk about it.

In this pamphlet you'll find helpful tips for coping, and an explainer for those outside Toronto, many of whom have found themselves asking WTF — Why the Ford Administration?

What is Toronto Mayor Rob Ford?:

Rob Ford spent a decade inside Toronto causing minor outbursts, with observers paying little heed to the symptoms. However, the unexpected bonding with a mayor's chair two years ago has made Toronto Mayor Rob Ford — or TMRF — more powerful than previously expected.

Thanks to a series of TMRF incidents appearing on the national news, Toronto Mayor Rob Ford has crossed over the so-called municipal barrier and has now infected the national consciousness.

It's not unusual for people as far away as Vancouver or St. John's to ask, "Is this for real?" It most definitely is.

Some symptoms include disbelief at what you're hearing, disbelief at what you're seeing, and journalists high-fiving each other at their uncommon good luck.

The end result is a rash of scandals. Don't pick at them.

These itchy scandals come in many varieties:

- Tickling: Ford blamed a plastic bag ban passed by city council on the public because, he said, 'a couple hundred thousand people' should have rallied in opposition.
- Sore: Ford gets angry a lot, including a confrontation where he made a reporter drop his tape recorder on the ground.
- Life-threatening: Ford said he "probably" reads while driving on Toronto's eight-lane highway because he's "busy."

This would be a good place to remind people that TMRF is real.

How did this TMRF happen?:

It's not uncommon for people across the country to ask Torontonians how TMRF came to be.

The first thing for sufferers to know is they have absolutely nothing to be ashamed of. One of the unusual traits of TMRF is that it only causes discomfort in people who don't want it.

To understand, one must look at an X-ray of a Toronto election map, which looks like the inverse of a U.S. election map. The liberal interior — what most outsiders think of when they think about Toronto — fought hard against TMRF, while the suburban edges breathed it deep.

What can be done:

TMRF can drain your energy, hope and drive, but there are options. Ways to eliminate symptoms include:

- Tilting way to the right.
- Plugging your ears and closing your eyes and singing la la la la for the next two years.

Of course, some people are immune or even enjoy TMRF, including journalists, comedians and other people who enjoy a good story.

As for voters who think the country needs more TMRF and would be happy to see it spread everywhere: Please put this down and watch the road.

No cure has been found for Toronto Mayor Rob Ford (TMRF).
NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Not quite a pot of gold

PAUL GOLDSTEIN/REX FEATURES

Wildlife photography

Not even a double rainbow

It's not a pot of gold or even a double rainbow, but a giraffe that you can find at the end of this rainbow.

This is just one of the countless wondrous sights professional photographer and holiday tour guide Paul Goldstein has witnessed in his adventures in far-flung locations from the Arctic to the plains of the Masai Mara in Kenya.

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Ethics

Giving back after taking away

Goldstein is always keen to give back to the regions he photographs.

"Ethics with photography is massively important. Every penny of every photograph I sell goes to one of two foundations: one in India to a tiger foundation in Madhya Pradesh, and one in the Masai Mara, where I'm co-owner of three safari camps."

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Paul Goldstein CONTRIBUTED

Photog's viewpoint

"There's a huge difference between a snapshot and a photograph. A photograph suggests diligence, graft and imagination."

Paul Goldstein, photographer and tour guide for travel company Exodus
"I like to push people so they can get the most from their cameras, without the camera dominating the safari," he says.

Metropolitan Panel

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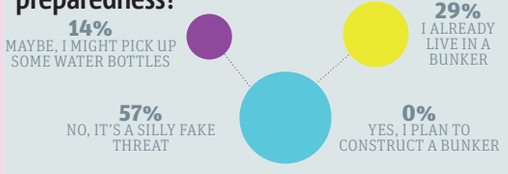
Has the U.S. government's tongue-in-cheek warning of a zombie apocalypse pressured you into better disaster preparedness?



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Heading into #yqr for stone, iron and a latte. One of those thing doesn't belong. :-)

@Lady_JennaMae:
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@LisaPolk:
Going outside in #yqr today? Don't bother doing your hair!! #wind

@TazzyWazzyFrazz:
Thank you to the #YQR police officers/fire fighters/first responders for laying it all out on the line. In appreciation!

@exigenomicon:
The #yqr Farmer's Market is letting #lululemon have a booth? #wtf - not local, not in the spirit of the market #fail

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EMOTIONAL CONNECTION

CIBC RUN FOR THE CURE STEPS OUT FOR BREAST CANCER

In 1997, CIBC became the title sponsor of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation's Run for the Cure. Now in its 21st year, the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC Run for the Cure is the largest single-day, volunteer-led fundraiser dedicated to raising breast cancer funds and awareness.

The 2012 CIBC Run for the Cure will take place Sunday, Sept. 30, in 60 communities across Canada.

Karen Ringstead, the B.C. and Northern Territories run champion, will take part in the CIBC Run for the Cure once again, her 18th year of participation. She lists her favourite moment as watching a recent survivor — a CIBC employee — with her whole family being cheered by Team CIBC upon crossing the finish line.

"I don't want to see cancer move into the fourth generation in our family," says Karen, whose great-grandmother, grandmother, great aunt and mother have all battled breast cancer. "I think it's so important to create awareness of early detection, minimizing risk and how we all can make a difference in fighting against breast cancer."

This year, an estimated 23,000 Canadians will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Most people who take part in CIBC Run for the Cure events have been touched by breast cancer in some way; it's an emotional connection that many Canadians have shared.

Last year, close to 170,000 CIBC Run for the Cure participants raised more than $30 million in events held across the country to fund research, education and awareness programs that are making a difference in the lives of Canadians affected by breast cancer.

More than 13,000 CIBC employees and volunteers helped Team CIBC raise more than $3 million through the collection of pledges, fundraising and contributions from the CIBC Pink Collection.

"Our involvement started with a handful of dedicated and passionate employees and has grown into an important part of the fabric of our organization," says Christina Kramer, CIBC's executive vice-president and national run champion.

The events themselves have a festive air about them; teams and other groups of family and friends, some with kids in strollers and others with dogs, will walk or run the route together. Some will wear pink wigs or boas; others will carry pink balloons and banners. White T-shirts will proclaim the slogan, "Who are you running for?

There will be lots of breast cancer survivors walking and running, too. Somewhere near the starting line, participants can post personal messages for loved ones and others on the Wall of Hope.

To find out how you can get involved to help raise funds and awareness, visit runforthecure.com. *– Jane Doucet*

FACTS & FIGURES

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CIBC PHOTO

CONNECTING VIA SOCIAL MEDIA

CIBC is using social media to inspire Canadians to get engaged, share their stories and register for the CIBC Run for the Cure, which is taking place across Canada on Sunday, Sept. 30.

This year, CIBC introduced two innovative social media initiatives to connect with as many people as possible in the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation's CIBC Run for the Cure.

The first is to create your own video using the CIBC For All My Girls MashApp on Facebook. Here, you can upload your favourite photos and videos of family and friends who have inspired you to take part in the CIBC Run for the Cure.

You can also choose from a selection of music tracks and add captions. Check out the Mashapp on Facebook at CIBC Community Matters, where ET Canada host Cheryl Hickey introduces a how-to video.

The second is making a personal Pinspiration for a Cure board by using Pinterest. You can pin and re-pin inspiring images, videos and content, anything from healthy recipes to workout and training tips.

GIVE THE GIFT OF PINK

Tote bag, $5

Last year, through the generosity of CIBC clients, employees and the general public, more than $1.9 million was raised through fundraising events and contributions from the CIBC Pink Collection of products, which is available exclusively at CIBC branches across Canada.

The 2012 CIBC Pink Collection features a friendship bracelet for $2, a shoelace lapel pin for $3, a tote bag for $5, a keychain for $6, and a teddy bear for $10.

"CIBC is proud to support the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation because of the work they do in not only finding a cure but in prevention and early detection as well," says Christina Kramer, CIBC's executive vice-president and the national run champion. "Our CIBC Pink Collection is another way to show our support and raise awareness for such an important cause."

The 2012 CIBC Pink Collection was officially launched at branches across Canada on July 26. CIBC works with suppliers to create products and also takes ideas to its employees for the input.

Teddy bear, $10

"The foundation continues to be inspired by CIBC's ongoing commitment to the CIBC Run for the Cure," says Kramer. "The funds raised by the CIBC Pink Collection, in addition to Team CIBC fundraising and volunteer support, is a testament to the tremendous dedication of CIBC's staff and clients toward our vision of creating a future without breast cancer."

It's imperative to the program that the most possible money goes back to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation (CBCF). In fact, 100 per cent of net proceeds from the pink products support the CBCF.

CIBC Pink Collection "hangtags" identify the product and the cause; they also show the suggested contribution amount. People usually contribute the suggested amount on the hangtag, if not more.

To view the CIBC Pink Collection, visit cibc.com/cibcpinkcollection or drop by any branch. Quantities are limited and available only while supplies last.

– Jane Doucet

CREATE A FUTURE WITHOUT BREAST CANCER

CIBC PHOTO

In August, CIBC and the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation (CBCF) issued the Corporate Spirit Challenge to the Canadian business community to enter a team in the 2012 CIBC Run for the Cure runs and walks taking place across the country on Sunday, Sept. 30. Their participation would help raise money to fund research, education and advocacy for breast cancer.

"Team CIBC is passionate about supporting the CBCF's vision of creating a future without breast cancer," says Christina Kramer, CIBC's executive vice-president and national run champion.

"Through the Corporate Spirit Challenge, we invite companies of all sizes across Canada to get involved by registering a team in Run for the Cure events."

Over the years corporate teams have had an enormous impact, raising more than $5 million in 2011 alone to help make a difference in the lives of those with breast cancer and their loved ones.

To recognize corporate participants' dedication and significant contributions, the CIBC Corporate Spirit Award will be presented to the top fundraising team at each CIBC Run for the Cure site across the country on Sept. 30.

A returning corporate team is the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto. "The CIBC Run for the Cure allows us to unite in support of a cause that has impacted our hotel team, their families and our guests," says Heather McCrory, CIBC Run for the Cure team captain and Fairmont Royal York regional vice-president and general manager.

The leadership of the corporate team members, who volunteer their time and who fundraise in support of the breast cancer cause, is truly inspiring.

"The employees who take part in the CIBC Run for the Cure through corporate teams make it possible for the foundation to continue funding the most promising breast cancer research and supporting the breast cancer community across the country," says Sandra Palmaro, CEO of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation–Ontario Region.

CIBC is a prime example of corporate stewardship; it became the title sponsor of the CBCF's Run for the Cure in 1997.

"We aim to make a difference in communities through corporate donations, sponsorships and the volunteer spirit of our employees," says Kramer. "We have been very proud to partner with the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation for so many years as part of our long-term commitment to this important cause."

– Jane Doucet

STUDENTS TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE

CIBC and the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation (CBCF) have once again issued a challenge to Canada's college and university students to see who can raise the most money for breast cancer research, education and awareness initiatives.

"The goal of the Post Secondary Challenge is to encourage students to participate in a way that is both meaningful and fun," says Christina Kramer, CIBC's executive vice-president and national run champion.

By taking part in the challenge, students are making a difference to a very important cause while also getting a chance to win a concert for their school fundraising team and a CIBC Education Award to help fund their post-secondary education.

Students can register a CIBC Run for the Cure Post Secondary Challenge team and raise funds online. The top 10 student fundraisers and the top student fundraiser in each of the five CBCF regions can win a $2,500 CIBC Education Award. In addition, the top fundraising school team or teams will win a concert by Walk Off the Earth, a five-piece band based in Burlington, Ont.

For more information and full contest details, visit CIBC Student Life on Facebook or runforthecure.com/psc.

SCENE 2

Alan Frew (second from right) was recently nominated for a CCMA Songwriting Award and continues to tour with Glass Tiger. SUPPLIED

Glass Tiger frontman keeps believing ... and touring

Wide-ranging career. Alan Frew has conquered the pop, rock and country worlds ... is jazz the final frontier?

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As Alan Frew prepares for the next step in what has already been an incredible career, Diana Krall might want to carve out some time in her schedule.

While the two aren't planning a collaboration, it's not due to a lack of confidence on Frew's part.

"Nobody's ever asked me to lend a hand to a jazz number but I'm sure under the right circumstances I could," Frew said in a recent interview in Saskatoon.

Having conquered the pop/rock world as the lead singer of Glass Tiger and as a solo artist, Frew demonstrated his musical versatility by recently teaming with country musician Johnny Reid on the hit single Fire It Up.

The musicians, who are both originally from Scotland, received a Canadian Country Music Association Award nomination for writing the hit single, which has also been recorded by Joe Cocker.

"I'm tickled pink to be nominated," said Frew. "I knew it was a brilliant song and I'm really happy that it's being recognized."

Fire It Up isn't the only collaboration that has garnered Frew attention in recent years: if you watched any Canadian coverage of either the Vancouver or London Olympics you are likely very familiar with another of his creations.

He co-wrote the ubiquitous I Believe, which CTV used extensively during coverage of the games. But Frew makes no apologies if you got tired of hearing the unofficial Canadian Olympic anthem.

"You're always going to get the odd detractor who says, 'If I hear that song again I'm going to lose it.' I can't worry about that," said Frew. "For every one or two detractors there's thousands of people that love it."

The positive attitude in the song is pervasive in Frew's life; he has also become a motivational speaker, delivering inspirational messages to crowds across the country based on his book The Action Sandwich.

But wherever his career takes him, he will forever be most closely associated with Glass Tiger.

The band burst on the scene in 1986 with the album The Thin Red Line which featured the hits Don't Forget Me When I'm Gone and Someday.

Although they took a hiatus of about a decade beginning in 1993, they are still together with virtually the original line up. The band is currently touring the country with Roxette, but this isn't purely a nostalgia trip as they have released a new single, I Take It Back.

"First and foremost we're friends, we get along," said Frew. "We're playing extremely well right now and we're still enjoying it."

Multi-talented musician

In addition to his careers as a musician, songwriter and speaker, Frew is also an actor. He appeared in Ross Petty's musical production of Snow White and the Group of Seven at the Elgin Theatre in Toronto. He also acted on CMT's Plucked, Showcase Television's Billable Hours and the movie Gravy Train.

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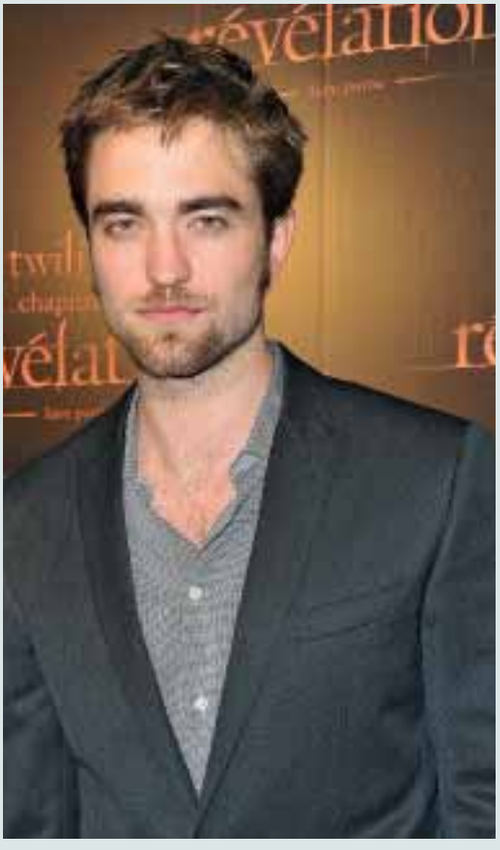

Rob and Kristen back together?

When Kristen Stewart told the Associated Press last week that she and Robert Pattinson would "be fine," maybe she knew more than she was letting on, as sources say the pair are secretly back together, according to Lainey Gossip.

"It was communicated to people during the Toronto International Film Festival that they are (back together) but they're worried about how it might affect (Rob's) career, like whether or not there will be some kind of crazy backlash or something," the source says.

Twitter

@ActuallyNPH
Hi Twitterland. Sorry for my lack of tweets recently. Apparently I have babies and stuff. I'll try harder. xo

@Pink
Holy Sh*t!!! MOM!!!! I got an A!!!! Thanks Entertainment Weekly!!!! My first A outside of study hall!!!!

@Venuseswilliams
Just wanted to send a big thank you to the NYC crowd at my us open this year. I've never felt such love and support, thank you!!!

@GarryShandling
My therapist just told me that I'm better than I was four years ago.

Blake Lively. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

No liquor for Lively

With her marriage to Ryan Reynolds last weekend on the books, Blake Lively apparently isn't wasting any time getting their domestic life going.

"I've always wanted a big family. Oh, I'd love 30 kids if I could," Lively says in the latest issue of Allure. The Gossip Girl star also lives a pretty clean life free of drugs and alcohol — and nightclubs.

"The music is so loud, you can't have a conversation with somebody," she says. "If I were an amazing dancer, yeah, I'd go, but I'm definitely not."

Randy Jackson

Randy's back, dawg!

It looks like Randy Jackson won't be bounced from the judges' table on American Idol after reports leaked that he is close to signing a deal to keep him in his old spot on the hit reality competition show, according to Deadline.

Rumours had circulated that Jackson, the only remaining judge from the original version of the show, would be moved to a "mentor" position for the new season.

But it looks like that's not happening.

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New York's finest

New York Fashion Week is proving that next spring's style-savvy girl is street-smart, sophisticated and loves her stripes

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Marc Jacobs

At Marc Jacobs' Spring show, models done up in severe side partings and smudgy black eyeliner reminiscent of Edie Sedgwick stormed the runway in bold black, maroon and beige stripes. The graphic appeared on shrunken blazers, trapeze jackets and low-slung midi skirts. Unlike the denizens of the Factory though, Jacobs' girl is a careerist. Curvy dresses with scalloped hems, sensible skirt suits with long, lean silhouettes and ruffle collar separates would fit right in at an office but the midriff-baring cropped tops, including a black, full-sleeve version featuring Mickey Mouse, not so much.

Donna Karan

Donna Karan struck gold with her choice of materials for her spring line. Sheer jersey and paper linen molded perfectly to create architectural silhouettes and artful pleats and folds. But the natural, organic feel of the fabrics paired with Karan's use of dusty, cold-dyed colours gave the collection a dreamy tone. This effect of sharp lines and soft shades was meant to evoke "sunrise and sunsets in the city" – you know, those pretty moments when light reflects off skyscrapers. The cool, cropped jackets, worn over empire waist dresses, will be just what a city girl needs when those buildings' air conditioning kicks into gear.

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Tommy Hilfiger

Tommy Hilfiger transported showgoers at the Highline back to the Hamptons for one last Fourth of July-type seaside soiree. With hurricane lanterns hanging over a deck-like runway, models sailed by in bold red, white and blue striped looks. Some read cool (the double-breasted blazers and chunky cardigans) and others too patriotic (a preppy navy jacket over a red, white and blue striped shirt and trousers). The colours then came in zigzags on dresses and one-piece halter swimsuits before winding up on the trim of plain white shifts. Breton stripes were also big (on cotton schoolboy shirts and leather tops), as were chunky cable knit sweaters.

DKNY

For her spring show, titled Reflections of New York Donna Karan aimed to define a girl living the big city dream. She's ambitious: smart workwear separates such as boyfriend blazers and knee-grazing pencil skirts came in leather and colour-blocked, textured linen. She's ready for whatever comes her way: the bodysuit played double-duty as a bathing suit, and models wore fanny packs. She's street smart: sporty mesh and leather detailing, camo prints, fitted black baseball caps and heeled sneakers exuded an urban tone.

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NEILSON BARNARD/GETTY IMAGES

Rebecca Taylor

The biography of Beach Boy Brian Wilson transported Rebecca Taylor to one of her favourite vacation haunts: Hawaii. But while her imagination sipped on mai tais, this hard-working woman spent the summer in New York. The two worlds harmonized perfectly in her spring collection: Sunny, hibiscus floral prints came cut in sharp, strong silhouettes, while polished dresses were made tough with studded collars and worn under moto jackets in laid-back, faded denim or poppy turquoise leather. And for post-sunset, a nude, silk studded cocktail number featured cheery ocean blue straps, perhaps to remind you of paradise even when you're stuck in the city.

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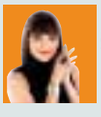

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"It's just about imagining yourself as the best you your can possibly be" says Laura Mulleavy bkstg @officialRodarte

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Bkstg @VeraWangGang tells me she's inspired by all the travel she does "in her mind". Loved her Indian influence with twist of modernity!

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@Jeanne_Beker: First look @MichaelKors take on optimism for SS13 #NYFW

@Jeanne_Beker: Modern day lady knights sizzle @officialRodarte

On the web

Qriket

Avril Lavigne says after debuting spring line for Abbey Dawn she may make own wedding dress

Give it a little Moroccan flair

As decor trends move toward more colour and traditional curvy lines, it's expected that Moroccan styles will emerge in a big way. The contemporary curvy lines and colours like orange, blue and white make it a trend-on element to include in modern decor. Other influences that blend easily with this trend are Middle Eastern patterns, handmade Moorish designs and Havana colours. With a new season fast approaching, why not try out some exotic flavour in your home?

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Magical Thinking Bright Star Duvet mimics colourful handmade tiles. From $79. URBANOUTFITTERS.COM

Circles Rubber Doormat welcomes guest with a Moroccan vibe. $20 CRATEANDBARREL.COM

Thomasville's Wanderlust Bachelor Chest is a great solution for television and AV equipment. $1,620 SEARS.CA

Benjamin Moore's Pumpkin Spice can transport your room to North Africa with just one coat. BENJAMINMOORE.CA

Whole Home Morocco Printed Sheers add exotic flair to the window. From $20 SEARS.CA

Just a few accessories can add some exotic flavour to any space. HANDOUT

Queen of Green

Don't be a pest when dealing with wasps

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I have a problem with wasps in my yard. What can I do? Nick of Regina

There are safe ways to deal with pests in your yard. HANDOUT

As we head into fall, insect populations in general will start to decline. And wasps will begin to bother bumblebees and honeybees — especially if you're barbecuing less (wasps are carnivores).

Did you know that most wasps are tiny solitary insects (not at all social) that lay their eggs inside of other insects? So, if you've planted a bee-friendly garden, you'll likely have wasps.

And if you keep mason bees, your nest box could also attract parasitoid solitary wasps, but you probably won't notice.

The wasps you're referring to are likely one of the three more common species: yellow jackets (bright yellow with black stripes), hornets (black with white stripes), or paper wasps (brown, red or yellow with a skinny waist).

How to deter wasps:

- Don't wear bright colours
- Don't wear sweet smells like fragranced body lotion or shampoo
- Cover meat and fish when barbecuing
- Don't leave out sugary drinks like cans of pop
- Clean up rotting fruit from your fruit trees
- Cover your compost pile with a lid or lots of "browns" like dry leaves
- Keep your trash bin clean

Never swat a wasp.

They can release a pheromone that will attract other wasps and signal them to be aggressive. It's best to move away calmly. Also, check the exterior of your home for cracks, holes and unsealed vents where wasps might build a nest. They like to nest in roofs, eaves, in garden sheds or under decks and porches —anywhere that's sheltered, warm and dry.

There are a few simple ways to deal with spilled wine. HANDOUT

No use crying over spilled milk, or wine

Advice. Take these simple steps to cleaning up that embarrassing spill at your party

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Dear Charles,
What is the proper way to go about cleaning up a broken wine glass at a dinner party? I wouldn't want to bring too much attention to it, but at the same time, I wouldn't want anyone to get hurt, either.
Always Prepared

Dear Always Prepared,
When this happens, the room is always full of guests and everyone stares at you!

The few times this has happened, the first thing I do is pick up the large pieces of glass.

I then use the vacuum, ideally a hand-held one to pick up the glass and then I use very thick towels to absorb the wine liquid.

At this point I judge the damage and either just leave it and wash the entire rug the following day or in the case of red wine will use club soda to flush the stain and re-absorb the liquid with a second set of thick dry towels.

Whatever you do, don't make a big deal about it. The person who has made the spill will feel bad enough. Let them help you with instructions of what you want them to do, then stay calm, make the treatment and go back to your party and have a fabulous time.

Grilled vegetables & pasta infuse Mediterranean flare

1. Balsamic Vinaigrette: In a screw-top jar, mix oil, balsamic vinegar, mustard, garlic, sugar. Cover jar and shake well. Season with salt and pepper. Makes about 150 ml (2/3 cup).

2. Meanwhile, cook pasta according to package directions and set aside. Chill, if desired.

3. Remove cores and cut peppers into quarters. Cut zucchini and onion into 2-cm slices. Brush vegetables lightly with some vinaigrette and grill over medium heat until vegetables are cooked as desired.

4. Cut all of vegetables into chunks. Combine vegetables, pasta and all but 125 ml (1/2 cup) of feta cheese with the remaining vinaigrette and season with salt and pepper. Top the dish with the reserved feta cheese and parsley. THE CANADIAN PRESS/DAIRY FARMERS OF CANADA

Nutritional analysis

Per serving

- 880 calories; 33 g protein; 98 g carbohydrates; 40 g fat; 6.1 g fibre; 414 mg sodium

This recipe serves four. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

Ingredients

Balsamic Vinaigrette
- 85 ml (1/3 cup plus 2 tsp) vegetable oil
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) balsamic vinegar
- 10 ml (2 tsp) Dijon mustard
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) sugar
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 500 g (1 lb) penne or rotini
- 1 each red and yellow sweet bell pepper
- 2 zucchini
- 1/2 Spanish onion
- 250 g (8 oz) feta cheese, cubed (divided)
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Chopped parsley, for garnish

Ratatouille. Versatile and tasty French stew

1. In Dutch oven, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add onion, garlic, basil and oregano; cook until slightly softened and aromatic, about 4 minutes.

2. Add green pepper, zucchini, eggplant and tomatoes. Stir in canned tomatoes, breaking up with a spoon. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 30 minutes.

3. Stir in tomato paste, sugar, salt and pepper; cook for 7 minutes. (Make-ahead: Cover and refrigerate for up to 2 days; reheat.) Stir in parsley. Sprinkle feta on top of each serving.
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Ingredients

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 red onion, cut into thin wedges
- 5 cloves garlic, minced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) each dried basil and oregano
- 1 large sweet green pepper, cut into chunks
- 2 zucchini, cut into chunks
- 1 eggplant (about 750 g/1 1/2 lb), cut into chunks
- 4 field tomatoes, chopped
- 1 can (796 ml/28 oz) whole tomatoes
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) tomato paste
- 5 ml (1 tsp) granulated sugar
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) minced parsley
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) crumbled feta cheese

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NFL

Griffin III's historic 1st week continues

Robert Griffin III is the first rookie quarterback to win an offensive player of the week award after his debut game.

The NFL announced Wednesday that Griffin is the NFC offensive player of the week for his performance in the Washington Redskins' 40-32 win over the New Orleans Saints.

The No. 2 overall draft pick completed 19 of 26 passes for 320 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions in Sunday's victory — making him the first player in league history to amass 300-plus yards passing, two or more passing touchdowns and no interceptions in an NFL debut. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Robert Griffin III
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

NBA

Knicks' Kidd to fight DWI charge

New York Knicks point guard Jason Kidd intends to fight a charge that he was drunk when he crashed his SUV into a telephone pole in the Hamptons his lawyer said Wednesday.

When asked about the allegations at Kidd's brief procedural appearance at Southampton Town Court on Long Island, lawyer Edward Burke Jr. told reporters, "We are defending that."

Kidd was arrested in July, days after signing with the Knicks. He suffered minor injuries when the vehicle hit the pole and veered into the woods in the hamlet of Water Mill.

The misdemeanour charge carries the potential for up to a year in jail.
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NHL

"Whatever the future holds is going to be fine with me."

Goaltender Roberto Luongo at a Canucks charity golf tournament on Wednesday. Luongo, who is willing to waive his no-trade clause, said he would also have no trouble playing alongside his friend Cory Schneider again and will attend Vancouver's training camp, if necessary.

Offers fly as NHL labour talks resume

Lockout. League tables 'time-sensitive' offer, after players' proposal falls flat with Bettman

The NHL's collective bargaining talks resumed Wednesday with a sense of urgency and a flurry of activity, but one thing remained unchanged — the unmistakable gap between the sides.

With Saturday's midnight deadline for a lockout looming, Donald Fehr and Gary Bettman each tabled proposals that highlighted the differing views still held by players and owners on core economic issues.

The NHL's offer came with an added twist as commissioner Bettman indicated it would be taken off the table Saturday, citing the damage another lockout would inflict on the business. Fehr, the executive director of the NHL Players' Association, suggested the league had done its own damage.

"Think about it this way," he said. "You have a case where you talk about a lockout, you threaten a lockout, you tell your season ticket-holders and advertisers you're going to have a lockout and then (once) you impose a lockout, then you want someone else to pay for it."

The NHL's latest proposal called for the players' share to be reduced to 49 per cent next season and would see it drop back to 47 per cent by the end of the six-year deal. Players currently receive 57 per cent of revenue.

The league's original offer in July came in at 43 per cent and was followed by one last month at 46 per cent.

"(This proposal) had meaningful movement in it and it was an attempt to engage the union finally in trying to make a deal," said Bettman.

NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr, centre, is joined by the Canucks' Manny Malhotra, left, and the Jets' Ron Hainsey as he speaks to reporters in New York on Wednesday. MARY ALTAFFER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Getting together

On Wednesday night, the union opened a meeting with some 300 players in attendance, while the NHL's board of governors is scheduled to convene on Thursday.

- Meanwhile, the union says it has filed an application with Quebec's labour relations board, along with at least 16 players of the Montreal Canadiens, asking it to declare a lockout illegal.
- A hearing on the application is scheduled for Friday morning in Montreal.

However, Fehr said the league had moved from asking for an "extraordinarily large" amount of money back to a "very big" amount.

The first formal session of bargaining between the sides since Aug. 31 kicked off with the NHLPA tabling changes to its previous offer. It kept the first three years intact — a system not linked to hockey revenues with fixed increases of two per cent, four per cent and six per cent over the first three years — before having the final two years determined by a return to the percentage of overall revenues.

The precise number would be determined by the league's growth rate at that time, with the players' share set at a lower rate if business is booming, according to Fehr.

Bettman said the union's offer represented "very little movement, if any," which prompted him to draft a new deal on the fly with Boston Bruins owner Jeremy Jacobs and Calgary Flames owner Murray Edwards.

Perhaps the most telling sign about the negotiations is the fact the sides are still working off different models with only days remaining before the NHL's fourth work stoppage in 20 years. To make matters worse, they're currently only tackling the league's economic model, leaving such potentially contentious issues as revenue sharing, contract length and discipline to be worked out later. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL. Bouncing back no easy task if season is lost

The NHL has survived strikes, lockouts and even the cancellation of an entire season, but Norm O'Reilly, who has studied the finances of sports leagues, says the league owners and players can't take their fans for granted.

O'Reilly, a sports marketing professor at the University of Ottawa, says another cancelled season could hurt the NHL itself, even in cities like Toronto.

While the hardcore fans will always come back, that's not the whole picture, he says.

As merchandise sales and sponsorship deals become larger pieces of the revenue pie compared with ticket sales, it is the more casual fans that may never attend a game that can make the difference.

"They may notice a decrease in television rights, and they may notice less following on websites, and they may notice a decrease in merchandise sales and less support of sponsors products," he said of teams if the season is killed.

"And as the NHL becomes ... less reliant on gate revenues and more reliant on media and marketing revenues, then those impacts become greater and greater."

Since the 2005 collective bargaining agreement was signed, the NHL has experienced an annual growth rate in revenues of more than six per cent.

But O'Reilly noted that last time the new collective agreement was accompanied by rule changes in an effort to make the game faster and higher scoring and in turn more appealing to the casual fan.

Without that added boost, the league may not bounce back from a season-killing lockout the same way.

"This time around, everything you read about is much more focused on solely the financial issues," O'Reilly said.
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Quoted

"We do have some other concerts and events, but there's no mistake that hockey is our business here."

Tim Murphy, the manager of Vancouver's Shark Club located a slapshot away from the home of the Vancouver Canucks, says without NHL hockey the bar just isn't busy enough.

4 SPORTS

Mobile sports

Cricket

Tim Tebow's debut with the New York Jets was a dud, but a sprinkling of the backup QB and the wildcat package was more than enough against the Bills. Now the Jets have to decide whether to give Tebow more snaps or fewer against the Steelers in Week 2.

Still flying in the right direction?

Sitting near the bottom of the American League East, Blue Jays brass still believe they're on course in terms of building a playoff contender. Here's a look at Toronto's strengths and weaknesses and its prospects of future improvement:

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Toronto Blue Jays general manager Alex Anthopoulos boasted last month that his last-place club had the makings of a "championship-calibre" offence and bullpen. They remain only a starting pitcher or two away from being a playoff-contending team, he said.

With less than a month remaining in Major League Baseball's calendar and the Jays long out of it, we take a more in-depth look to see just how close the Jays are to being a playoff-contending team.

Anthopoulos is right that pitching remains the club's biggest weakness. But is that all it will take to turn them into a contender?

Here's look at the gap between the Jays and the AL's leading wild-card contenders: The Baltimore Orioles, Oakland Athletics and Tampa Bay Rays:

Starting pitching

In assessing how the Jays' rotation compares to the AL's leading wild-card contenders, consider that the only Jays pitcher who would crack all of their rotations is Brandon Morrow. J.A. Happ and Carlos Villanueva should at least get into the Orioles', but they would be no sure thing. Ricky Romero and Henderson Alvarez would likely be left out.

Given the complete unknown that is the future of Romero, the Jays need to add one front-of-the-rotation starter — a bona fide No. 1 or No. 2 — to complement Morrow.

Offence

Before Jose Bautista was injured in mid-July (with almost all of the position players following suit later in the summer), the Jays led the majors in runs scored.

For that reason, Anthopoulos says upgrading the team's offence is not a major concern. Even at this stage in the season, the Jays sit comfortably ahead of the A's, Rays and Orioles in terms of runs scored.

Defence

At one point early in the season the Jays were among the best defensive teams in the league. They still lead the AL in defensive runs saved, a statistical metric that favours range and richly rewards Brett Lawrie, pictured, the Jays' athletic third baseman.

Their outfield, however, has been a different story. The Jays have more throwing errors from the outfield than any other AL team and rank second in outfield fielding errors.

But as long as Bautista and Encarnacion are in the Jays lineup, they will be built around offence.

Bullpen

Early underperformance and a lack of depth has left the Jays currently holding the AL's worst bullpen ERA.

Anthopoulos targeted improvements, acquiring right-handers Steve Delabar and Brad Lincoln. Of all the areas the Jays should feel comfortable about heading into the off-season, the bullpen is it, especially if closer Sergio Santos, pictured, returns from injury and pitches as well as he did in 2011.

MLB

Same team, different city in Jays' 2013 opener

For the second straight year the Blue Jays will open their season against Cleveland.

Next year, however, Opening Day will be at Rogers Centre, not Progressive Field.

Major League Baseball released its 2013 schedule Wednesday, which shows the Jays kicking off the season by hosting the Indians on Tuesday, April 2, one day later than most teams.

A to-be-determined season-opening game will be played on March 31, while 22 other teams will play their first game on April Fool's Day.

For the first time in MLB history, interleague play will occur throughout the season in 2013, with at least one contest between American and National League teams every day of the schedule.

The Jays' first interleague game is May 14 at home against San Francisco. Toronto will make interleague trips to Atlanta, San Diego, San Francisco and Arizona.

The Houston Astros will move from the NL Central into the AL West in 2013, giving both leagues an equal complement of 15 teams. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Tables turned on Canada in qualifiers

Canada's Marcel de Jong, left, boots the ball past Panama's Roman Torres during a 2014 World Cup qualifying soccer match in Panama City on Tuesday. ARNULFO FRANCO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Soccer. Loss to Panama puts Canada in tough to advance to next stage of World Cup qualifying

It's a lesson in how quickly things can change in international football.

Canada, sitting atop its World Cup qualifying group after a dramatic 1-0 home victory over Panama Friday, now finds itself in tough following Tuesday's loss in Panama City.

Canada's potential saunter into the final stage of qualifying for the first time since 1998, is now poised to come down to the final match in Honduras.

Where's the offence?

2

Canada has scored only two goal in its four matches in this stage.

The 2-0 win by the Panamanians moves them into top spot in this four-team penultimate stage of qualifying for Brazil 2014 with a 3-1-0 record for nine points. Canada and Honduras, at 2-1-1, are tied with seven points apiece. Cuba is last at 0-4-0.

Honduras has the edge over Canada on goal differential.

The top two teams in the group will advance to the final stage of qualifying in 2013.

This stage will wrap up with each team playing two games next month.

Canada's fate will be decided in the final in Honduras on Oct. 16.

Ahead of that match, Canada hosts Cuba at BMO Field on Oct. 12 in a match they need all three points. That same night, Panama hosts Honduras.

"The group changed a little bit tonight," Canadian captain Kevin McKenna said following the 2-0 defeat Tuesday. "We will now need plenty of home support for a massive match in Canada." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

NHL. Money once again an issue for Oilers arena

A new downtown arena for the Edmonton Oilers hit the ditch Wednesday as city councillors rejected a bid by the NHL team for more money from taxpayers.

Mayor Stephen Mandel would not say how much was asked for, or what it was for, but said the ball is now in the court of the team's owner, pharmacy billionaire Daryl Katz.

Reporters asked Mandel if he was still optimistic the rink would proceed as planned.

"Optimistic might not be the best word," Mandel said.

"Frustrated might be a better word. But I'm optimistic in the sense (we can) get back together and see how we can make this work."

Construction on the $450-million arena is slated to begin early next year.

Mandel said the request from the Katz Group did not come with an ultimatum, although Katz has said the Oilers won't play indefinitely at their current home of Rexall Place. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Raising the cap?

The Katz Group, responding to council's decision through a prepared statement, said it has become clear during the design and engineering process that the $450-million cap won't be enough to build the "iconic" structure that both the city and the Oilers want.

Edmonton's Rexall Place. DALE MACMILLAN/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You are confused which direction to take. It's not like you to be so undecided but for now, the only safe decision is to make no decision at all until the early part of next week. What's the rush?

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Try not to let your anxieties get out of hand today because it could have a knock-on effect on your physical health. Experience should have taught you by now that the worst rarely happens, so strive to be positive.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Try not to be sentimental about people or possessions. Gemini is ruled by mind planet Mercury, so you should find it easy enough to be logical. Use your head today. It could save you a lot of unnecessary torment.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You may have to deal with someone whose opinions you dislike but chances are you will need their support in the very near future, so hold your tongue and get on with it. It can still be a good working partnership.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Speak up and let others know what you think. You could, of course, stay quiet and enjoy an easy life. But that has never been your way — nor should it be when there is so much at stake.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Certain people seem to be dragging their feet and almost daring you to do something about it. You don't have to put up with this kind of behaviour. If they're going to drag their feet, you've got an excuse to stamp yours.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
A partnership issue will come to a head over the next 24 hours and you will have no option but to deal with it quickly. A clean break now may be preferable to a messy one later on. Give it some thought.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You may be a bit behind in your schedule but there is no need to panic. The planets indicate you will get to catch up next week. In the meantime, relax and focus more on things you enjoy.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Someone is not giving you enough for your money. Let them know you won't put up with such poor service. If you don't, the situation will continue. Throw off the nice guy image and get angry.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You're in a good mood at the moment but it could be spoiled by someone who seems to believe you owe them a living. You don't owe them anything. In fact, they owe you so don't let them drag you down.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Your sixth sense is telling you that what you are being told by a friend is not to be trusted. Thank them for their advice then do the opposite of what they suggest. It could save you money — and your reputation.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You are somewhat impulsive, which could cause problems with money. You should know by now that few things in life truly come for free, so make sure you know what the real cost is going to be.

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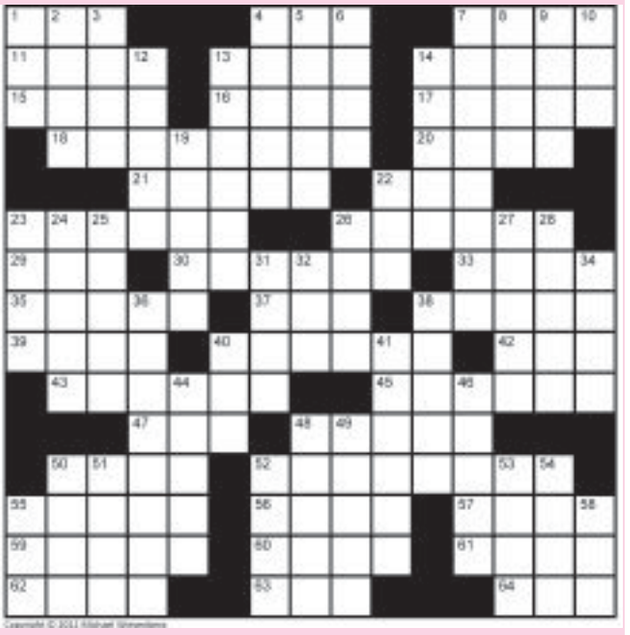
Crossword: Is a Puzzlement

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



Across
1. Miami's state: abbr.
4. PC maker
7. Sunbathing goal (2 wds.)
11. Points a gun
13. Norway's capital
14. NWT's Great ___ Lake
15. The Queen, or the ship named for her, in short (2 wds.?; initialism?)
16. Begin to melt
17. Ontario-born Mandel of *Deal or No Deal*
18. Ontario NHL team
20. Baseball stat
21. Decrease in intensity
22. *The Simpsons* bartender
23. Critic's write-up
26. Prime Minister Pearson
29. Tic-___-toe
30. Cultural no-nos
33. Stumble
35. Set of cultural values
37. ___ Jima: 1940s Pacific battle site
38. ___ hasty retreat: flee (2 wds.)
39. Cut
40. Shopping ___: mall
42. Repair tears
43. Chooses to get e-mail, maybe (2 wds.)
45. Entrance's opposite
47. Island: Fr.
48. "Gosh, you shouldn't've" (2 wds.)
50. Obtained: Fr.
52. East Coast's ___ Provinces
55. Prime Minister St. Laurent
56. ___ *Brockovich*
57. Cashmere source
59. Afternoon talk show host Winfrey
60. A very small quantity (9th Greek letter)
61. ___ Scotia
62. ___ sign: advertising medium
63. 180° from SSW
64. Tyrannosaurus ___

Down
1. Help page feature: initialism
2. Fibs
3. French friend
4. "____ the Sheriff" (2 wds.)
5. Sound loud
6. Cuts grass
7. Member of a Montréal CFL team
8. "I ___ I taw a puddy tat!" : Tweety
9. Hertz rival
10. "Her maiden name was ..."
12. Commandments Mount
13. Home of 18-Across
14. Chases away, as an animal
19. Aids a criminal
22. "___ amis": start of a French speech
23. These are found on road maps: abbr.
24. "Jack Sprat could ___ fat ..." (2 wds.)
25. _-___: blocker of offensive TV material
26. What a bank robber gets away with
27. Wipe out
28. Religious ceremonies
31. "Très ___"
32. Possess
34. Grizzlies have them
36. Glasses expert
38. Reproduce, biblically
40. Co. in Québec
41. Provincial capital whose name comes from a queen
44. Half-melted snow
46. What 15-Across does
48. Moses's brother
49. Communicate by letter
50. Climber's cord
51. 100 cents, overseas
52. "Deal ___": "I want a hand" (2 wds.)
53. Boggy area
54. Roof overhang
55. Horror film star Chaney Jr. or Sr.
58. GST or PST

Yesterday's Crossword

What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

			1		3			
	5						2	
4		1				7		6
		4	8	1	7	6		
9								8
		5	2	9	4	1		
8		9				3		4
	7						5	
			9		2			

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	3	5	6	4	2	8	9	7
2	9	6	3	7	8	1	4	5
4	8	7	5	9	1	3	6	2
8	7	4	2	6	3	5	1	9
3	6	1	7	5	9	2	8	4
5	2	3	8	1	4	7	3	6
9	5	8	4	3	7	6	2	1
6	1	2	9	8	6	4	7	3
7	4	3	1	2	6	9	5	8

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